

Tennessee Coordinated School Health



A Historical Perspective and Timeline of Coordinated School Health in Tennessee:

- Mid 1980s Tennessee School Health Coalition (*TSHC*) formed (*an advocacy group consisting of inter-disciplinary members working to promote Comprehensive School Health in Tennessee*).
- 1988 HIV/AIDS Prevention funding in Tennessee – provided funding to TSHC for an Executive Director and staff position to promote CSH – raised awareness of CSH, promoted cooperative projects around school health.
- 1988 Public School Nurse Program enacted by legislature (*funded 32 positions for \$1.36 million*).
- 1991 Youth Risk Behavior Surveys began in Tennessee (*biennial*).
- 1992 Funding for Public School Nurse program ended.
- 1992 Education Improvement Act (*included funding in the BEP Funding Formula for nurses 1:3000 when BEP fully funded*).
- 1993 WellSpring conference – Vanderbilt University
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- 1994 TennCare (*Medicaid waiver*) went into effect.
- 1995 With TennCare issues, prompted beginning of Project TEACH (*program designed to help schools better coordinate with TennCare for children with medical needs that TennCare should cover*).

- 1995 First CDC State Infrastructure application (was not approved).
- 1996 Medications/Health Care and School Nurses legislation passed.
- 1997 Basic Education Program (*BEP*) funding formula for schools fully funded.
- 1997 TSHC, in partnership with DOE and DOH, hold first YRBS Conference.
- 1997 Second CDC State Infrastructure application (*was not approved*).
- 1998 Congress encourages adoption of CSH model based on CDC report that health education in schools can reduce prevalence of health risk behaviors.
- 1998 TSHC, DOE, DOH and others sponsor Coordinated School Health Conference – awareness increases of Kolbe/Allensworth model of CSH.
- 1999 TSHC develops first position paper and website devoted to CSH.
- 1999 Joint ASHA and TSHC conference in Nashville.
- 1999 Coordinated School Health legislation introduced – TSHC employed lobbyist.
- 1999 School Health was added to the State Master Plan for schools.
- 1999 Third CDC Infrastructure Application (*approved and started in 2000*).
- 2000 The Coordinated School Health Improvement Act of 2000, Tennessee Code Annotated 49-1-1002 – appropriations for implementing CSH in Tennessee.
- 2000 CSH Standards and Guidelines created by the State Board of Education.
- 2000 School Health Index connected to school improvement planning.
- 2001 10 CSH pilot sites selected – funding provided to schools to implement.

- 2001 Started CSH Coordinators Leadership Institute.
- 2001 School Health Data Conference.
- 2002 Fit for the Future Conference.
- 2002 CSH Evaluation Plan implemented.
- 2003 Milk Vending machines introduced in Monroe County.
- 2003 First Evaluation Report for CSHP Baseline Data.
- 2004 CDC Infrastructure funds reinstated to Tennessee.
- 2004 Public Chapter 708 passed by General Assembly to set nutritional requirements for foods sold in schools that are not part of the school breakfast and lunch programs.
- 2004 Federal Child Nutrition and Women, Infants and Children Reauthorization Act of 2004 mandates each school district have a Wellness Policy by the first day of 2006-2007 school year.
- 2005 Tennessee Nutritional Guidelines adopted by the State Board of Education.
- 2005 Tennessee Physical Activity Policy adopted by the State Board of Education.
- 2003-05 P.A.N.T.S. (***Physical Activity Nutrition for Tennessee Schools***) Institutes conducted at institutions of higher education across Tennessee at ETSU, MTSU, APSU, UTC, UTK, and UT Martin to provide information to administrators and staff in the following areas: Coordinated School Health, Nutrition Guidelines, Federal Wellness Policy, and new Physical Activity Policy.
- 2006 PANTS Institutes expanded to Memphis and Jackson.
- 2006 Public Chapter 1001 passed – The Coordinated School Health Expansion which provided funding to all LEAs and created two positions in the Department of Education: a physical education specialist and a state Coordinator, and mandated 90 minutes of physical activity k-12.

- 2006 Request for Applications for Expanded CSH program issued.
- 2006 Fit for the Future Conference was held at MTSU in October 2006. This conference was sponsored by the Tennessee School Health Coalition, Inc., and focused on helping people understand and prepare to implement new Coordinated School Health initiatives statewide.
- 2006 Nine regional training workshops were held across the state in October and November. These workshops were provided by the Office of Coordinated School Health staff (*TDOE*) and were designed to help school personnel prepare for the CSH application process.
- 2007 Revised Lifetime Wellness curriculum standards adopted by the State Board of Education.
- 2007 Revision of K-12 Physical Education curriculum standards planned.
- 2007 Ken-Ten Coordinated School Health Institute planned.
- 2007 9 Sub-regional CSH one-day drive-in workshops planned.
- 2007 Second Request for Applications for Expanded CSH initiative issued.